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The Organizing Committee of PIERS 1997 would like to invite you to come to Hong Kong and attend the upcoming Progress in Electromagnetics Research Symposium. The Telecommunications Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong is honored to host this prestigious symposium, the first ever held in the Asia Pacific region. We are especially excited because it will be held in 1997, the historical year in which the sovereignty of Hong Kong will be reverted back to China.

An attractive and informative technical program has been assembled by the Technical Program Committee under the leadership of Prof. K. M. Luk. In accordance with the aim of PIERS, the Symposium will provide a venue for engineers and professors of different disciplines in electromagnetics from places all over the world to get acquainted. It will also facilitate a forum for them to present their latest findings and to exchange innovative ideas. It covers a broad spectrum of interests in electromagnetic theory and its applications, including antenna design, microwave components/devices/systems, mobile communications, satellite communications, radio astronomy, radar, microwave imaging, remote sensing, electromagnetic compatibility, composite material, high temperature superconductivity, wave scattering/propagation, optoelectronics, and computational techniques. Over 650 relevant papers have been accepted, approximately half of them submitted by authors from North America and Europe. All papers will be orally presented in 4 days (6-9 January) in 12 parallel sessions in spacious lecture theatres equipped with modern audio-visual equipment in the City University of Hong Kong, right at the urban center of the city.

An equally attractive, entertaining yet affordable social program has also been contrived for attendees and their companies. All registered participants will be invited to the Reception Buffet Dinner and the Banquet at no additional cost. Several local tours will be reserved for our guests who choose to take a closer look of this Pearl of the Orient, a cosmopolitan area of over 6.5 million residents where the East meets the West. Post symposium tours have also been arranged for venturous visitors to go to Shenzhen, a brand new city of over 3 million inhabitants just north of the border. Please be informed that visitors joining these tours will not need an entry visa into China. Since all social events have limited capacities and we are obliged to operate them on the first-come-first-serve basis. Hence, you are recommended to register early.

Just as all symposia of similar nature, PIERS 1997 cannot be successful without the hard work of dedicated committee members and session organizers. May I take this opportunity to thank them for their invaluable contributions. I look forward to seeing all of you at the PIERS 1997 in Hong Kong.

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General Information

(Location

The PIERS 1997 will be held in Hong Kong, on the campus of the City University of Hong Kong, January 6 - 9, 1997. Symposium sessions will be held in spacious lecture theatres located on the 4th floor of the Academic Building.

The City University is located at the heart of the city, and if you take a walk around the campus, you will get an excellent view of the Hong Kong skyline. It is next to the Mass Transit Railway (Kowloon Tong Station), which can take you to the Kowloon Peninsula or direct to Hong Kong Island. The University is also next to the Kowloon Canton Railway (Kowloon Tong Station) which can take you up to the New Territories and right to the border with China.



(Hong Kong Weather

Hong Kong has a subtropical climate that brings sunny yet cool and reasonably dry weather during the winter. The symposium will be held in the winter season, which starts in the middle of December and lasts till the end of February, with an average temperature of 15 ½C and a humidity of 75%. Suitable clothing are suits, light woollens and sometimes overcoats, although it has been known that people from the cooler climates still prefer to wear shorts and T-shirts, even swimming in the magnificent beaches.

(Transportation

Local transportation is clean and efficient with the Mass Transit Railway (subway) covering the more densely populated urban areas and the Kowloon Canton Railway which connects to the New Territories, also trams with 70 year history still travel quaintly along Hong Kong island, and its new counterpart, the Light Rail Transit speeding along in New Territories West. Buses are plentiful and taxis can be hailed almost everywhere.

General Information

(Spouses and Companions

Accompanying spouses or companions are welcome to participate in the daytime and evening social events. No spouse or companion registration fee is necessary, but a welcome buffet reception fee of US\$ 30 and a Chinese banquet fee of US\$60 will be requested.

(Restaurants

Restaurants at the City University include a Chinese restaurant, Western restaurant, coffee shop, Wei Hing snack bar, staff canteen and student canteen.

Hong Kong is a culinary delight, its restaurants serve both western and eastern cuisines, with enough to dine on a different country's fare every day. The best of American and European fare can be found in some of the world's grandest hotels. You can also find eateries ranging from British fish and chips to French bistros. From China, there are a myriad of Cantonese dim sum, hearty Chiuchow dishes, spicy Szechuen dishes and noodles from Shanghai. From southeast Asia there are Japanese Sushi, Korean barbecues, Malaysian satay, hot Singaporean noodles, spicy Indonesian and Thai cuisine.

(Currency Exchange

The unit of currency is the Hong Kong dollar (HK\$), with denominations of HK\$1,000, HK\$500, HK\$100, HK\$50, HK\$10 notes and HK\$10, HK\$5, HK\$2, HK\$1, HK50¢, HK20¢ and HK10¢ coins. Most foreign currencies and travellers cheques are easily changed at banks, hotels or money changers (the latter usually charge commission).

The current exchange rates are approximately HK\$7.7 to US\$1, HK\$0.071 to ¥1 and HK\$11.8 to £1.

(Session Rooms and Starting Times

Session starting times are 8:50 am for the morning sessions and 1:30 pm for the afternoon sessions. Session rooms are listed in the Technical Program portion of this brochure.

(Refreshment Breaks

For the convenience of symposium participants, morning and afternoon refreshment breaks will be served at the Podium of the Academic Building. Session breaks are twenty minutes long and fall between 10:30 am -10:50 am and 3:10 pm -3:30 pm.

(Name Badges

Please wear your name badge at all times. Badges are required for entrance to technical sessions, and the reception buffet dinner.

(No Smoking

Please observe the no smoking policy inside buildings on campus.

(Symposium Proceedings

Additional copies of the PIERS 1997 Proceedings may be purchased from symposium staff at the Registration Desk. Copies are available for US\$40 each.

(Shipping of Proceedings

Each registered participant will receive a copy of the symposium Proceedings. The Proceedings may be either carried away or shipped to any destination. Postage service will be available at the Information Desk.